Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Monday 03 May 2021 until 23:59 on Tuesday 04 May 2021

Forecast Issued on Sunday 02 May 2021 at 14:43 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for generally showery picture with longer periods of snow and rain spreading from the south for a time Monday and early Tuesday, but only medium for details of the transitions.

Headline for Monday 03 May 2021: Turning cloudy with showers merging to longer periods of snow and rain later.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 03 May 2021

Blizzards Medium Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** Medium Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Medium Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Cloudy	Cloudy	Light snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow
Precipitation probability							
00%	<05%	20%	20%	40%	70%	80%	80%

Forecast for Monday 03 May 2021

Weather: Largely dry with clear spells overnight leading to a frost in some glens come dawn. Higher cloud soon feeding from the southwest Monday morning, bringing the risk of showers from mid-morning, with the snow level around 500m. Showers turn heavier and more frequent, also occasionally merging to longer periods of snow and rain, during the afternoon and evening, bringing blizzard conditions across highest summits.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 90% at first, lowering from mid-day becoming 10% from late mid-afternoon.

Visibility: Initially good or very good, lowering moderate to poor in rain, very poor in snow and hill fog, with bases becoming broken to extensive from 500-800m as conditions deteriorate from the south.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	3/4 SW	5/7 S	7/9 S	14/20 SE	24/32 SE	29/39 E	31/41 E	30/41 NE	29/40 NE
900	3/4 SW	3/5 S	6/8 S	12/17 SE	19/28 SE	22/33 E	22/33 E	22/33 NE	21/32 NE
600	2/4 W	2/4 S	3/6 SE	9/16 SE	14/25 SE	16/28 E	16/29 E	16/29 NE	14/27 NE
300	2/4 W	2/4 N	2/4 E	6/12 SE	11/21 SE	14/27 E	15/29 E	14/29 NE	14/30 NE
Glen	2/4 NW	1/3 NW	2/5 N	7/13 E	11/21 SE	13/26 E	15/29 E	15/29 NE	15/30 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	-3/-6	-4/-7	-3/-7	-3/-9	-2/-10	-3/-12	-3/-12	-3/-12	-4/-12
900	-2/-4	-2/-4	-2/-5	-0/-6	-0/-7	-1/-8	-2/-9	-2/-9	-2/-9
600	-0/-2	-1/-2	0/-1	2/-1	2/-3	1/-5	0/-6	-0/-6	-0/-6
300	2/1	1/-0	2/1	5/3	5/1	4/-1	2/-3	2/-3	2/-3
Glen	2/1	1/-0	2/1	5/3	6/2	5/1	4/-1	3/-2	3/-2
Freezing Level*	700m	600m	600m	700m	700m	700m	600m	600m	500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Conditions becoming increasingly hazardous from mid-day with increasing wind chill at height in the summit gales, this coupled with hill fog in snow and rain.

Forecast for Tuesday 04 May 2021

Weather: A seasonally cold day of showers, these most frequent through the morning. Brighter spells improving to sunny spells for the afternoon as showers thin out somewhat. Snow level around 500m lowering 300m by late evening.

Maximum wind: North mean 20-25 mph with gusts reaching 35 mph across most exposed ridges and summits.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30% becoming 80% later.

Visibility: Good or very good, lowering moderate to poor in rain showers, very poor in snow and hill fog, as bases lower 500-800m.

Temperature: **Glens:** Zero Celsius increasing 9 Celsius for the afternoon
At 800m: Minus 3 Celsius lowering minus 5 Celsius later
Freezing level: 600m lowering 400m later

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